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This sale is made up distinctly of the newest and best Gloves ever sold. Every pair of Gloves we are offering is better than any sold in Richmond at the same price. As fashion tends more and more toward blending of shades, greater becomes the demand for the colors in Gloves to match the new spring costumes. There is not a color in Gloves made that we haven't in stock. It is complete with all shades, kinds and sizes, in all the most fashionable makes.

Kid Gloves, light weight, made of fine selected skins, imperial point back, two clasp, has the stitching like the higher price Glove. These Gloves were imported direct from Germany, in the new spring shades, tan biscuit or yellow, golden brown, French grey, green and blue; also black and white; the best Gloves ever offered at..... **\$1.00**

You must have at least one pair of popular Yellow Gloves; they harmonize with all new colorings for spring. We have six different shades, from the lightest cream yellow, pongee, mode, mustard, buff to the darkest gold shade; all fine real kid, new stitchings, two clasp, at..... **\$1.50**

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SWEATED NEGRO WITH FEAR OF DEATH

Electric Chair Fails to Break Composure of Henry Smith.

STILL SAYS HE IS INNOCENT

Alexandria Negro's Respite Held Back Until Hour for His Execution.

Half an hour before he was to have been placed in the death chair at the penitentiary yesterday morning, Henry Smith, colored, convicted of the murder of Walter Schulz, an artist of Chicago, in Alexandria more than a year ago, was presented by Superintendent Wood with a paper from Governor Mann respiteing him to May 13. The respite was handed Superintendent Wood Tuesday night was instructions from the Governor that the convicted man should not be told of it until shortly before the death sentence should be carried out, with the hope that under this pressure the negro would make a confession. Besides the superintendent, only one of the guards knew of it, and there was no possibility of the negro knowing of the Governor's action until the paper was read to him.

Protests His Innocence. It was a severe ordeal, the nearest thing to the mythical "third degree," perhaps, that is practiced to-day for the purpose of making men give up their secrets. The negro passed through it all with a display of nerve rarely seen. When the officers came to his cell, he thought they were there to take him to the chair. He was asked if he had anything to say. He replied that he was innocent of the crime, and did not even know the man. He also expressed the hope that Richard Smith, Calvin Johnson and Eugene Dorsey, also sentenced for the same crime, would be freed.

While thankful for the respite, he did not show the slightest emotion. Superintendent Wood said last night that he and the guard who accompanied him to the cell were vastly moved over the incident that he man himself. The jury summoned to witness the execution went through all the suspense of taking their seats, seeing the chair tested and other preliminaries, only to be dismissed by the superintendent.

Theatre Company Chartered. Among the charities granted yesterday by the State Corporation Commission was one to the Jefferson Theatre Company, Incorporated, of Richmond. The object is to deal in material for moving picture shows and to operate shows and vaudeville. The capital stock is from \$25,000 to \$100,000. S. Galeski is the president; M. P. Harris, secretary. The other incorporators named in the charter are J. S. Bullington and J. S. Galeski.

Qualified as Executor. A. Carter McKenney qualified in the Chancery Court yesterday as executor for the estate of Helen F. Ranson, valued at \$7,500.

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GOVERNOR TO ASK RAILS TO COMPLY

Will Request That Shop Men Be Paid Wages Twice Each Month.

BILL, HOWEVER, IS VETOED

Executive Will Try Personally to Carry Out Intent of Casey Bill.

Although the Casey bill requiring railroad companies to pay their employees at least twice a month has been vetoed, it is altogether probable that the desire of the shop men to secure the new condition of things will be realized. This will be accomplished, if at all, at the personal solicitation of Governor Mann.

The Governor said yesterday that it is his intention to request the railroad companies of the State to arrange to pay off all their employees engaged in shop work at semi-monthly intervals. Of course there can be no law on the subject, but it is believed that for the most part, perhaps altogether, these concerns will comply with the request of the executive.

It is the conviction of the Governor, based on the preponderance of the letters and telegrams he has received, that a majority of the other railroad men, such as station men and track men, do not desire semi-monthly payments. Therefore, he will not ask the railroads to apply the new rule to these classes. But he realizes that among the shop men the feeling is very strong.

Some Classes Oppose. In addition, the Governor believes that payments to outside employees would entail much more trouble and expense to the companies than would be the case if applied only to those who work in the shops. Generally speaking, the men who are scattered over the State, many of them in small communities or in country places, believe that twice a month payments would mean the abolition of the pay car, which would be too expensive an institution to run so frequently, and that they would have much trouble in negotiating their checks. Besides, the impression is that more frequent cash would be of less advantage in small places than in cities, where, for the most part, the shops are located.

In explaining the constitutional objections to the Casey bill to the delegation of railway men in his office on Thursday, the Governor said that for the most part his sympathies were with the measure, and that so far as the shop employees were concerned, at least, he regarded the bill as a just one.

His interest in this matter will be shown when he carries out his intention to request the railway companies to voluntarily comply with the spirit of the bill as applied to this class of workmen.

There was great disappointment yesterday among the labor interests when it became known that the bill had been vetoed. This action was forecast in yesterday's Times-Dispatch from the statement made Thursday morning by the Governor in regard to the measure.

In explanation, the Governor said that the bill was not unconstitutional because of the defect in the title, which does not fully cover the intent of the bill.

For the first time since the holidays, the Blues' Battalion will have a drill next Tuesday night. All members of the company will be present. The drill will be on Broad Street, in front of the City Hall, and will begin at about 9 o'clock.

Only Four More Cases Remain to Be Heard in Supreme Court.

With the end of the term in sight, the Supreme Court of Appeals heard two more cases yesterday and started on another. A session which had been adjourned will be reached by Monday or Tuesday, possibly to-day, should some of the cases be submitted on briefs. A few decisions are expected on whatever should be the last day of the term.

Proceedings yesterday were as follows: City of Richmond vs. Schonberger, fully argued by L. O. Weidenburg for the appellee, and by Emmott Seaton for the appellant, and argued by Monk W. Argue for the appellant, and by John L. Jeffries, for the appellee, and by W. L. Williams, for the appellee, and submitted.

Edmondson and Reekes, receivers, vs. Potts' administrator. Fully argued by Wood Bouldin, for the defendant in error, and continued until to-day.

The remaining cases are: Lane Brothers Company vs. Bernard's administrator, Norfolk and Ocean View Railway Company vs. Consolidated Turnpike Company and Wickham and Northrop, receivers, vs. Green.

Arrests Yesterday. Fleming Taylor and Robert Wood, colored boys, were arrested last night on a charge of stealing bottles of milk and a loaf of bread from 117 East Canal Street.

Bettie Brown, colored, was arrested last night on a charge of stealing \$7.77 from Kate Harris.

Casey Walker, colored, was arrested on a charge of assaulting Maggie Morgan with a bunch of keys.

Martha Ann Taylor, colored, was arrested on a charge of assaulting and threatening to cut Elmore Reed.

At St. Luke's Hospital. D. O. Dechert, a prominent attorney of Harrisonburg, is at St. Luke's Hospital, and has just been elected on for appendicitis. Dr. Stuart, M. G. Quire performed the operation, which was successful in every way.

GOOD STORAGE LAW IS TABLED

Subcommittee Will Wrestle With Problem of High Cost of Living.

DRESSED FOWLS UP AGAIN

Hirschberg Makes Sharp Attack on Motives of Councilman Richards.

From 8 o'clock until nearly midnight last night the Committee on Ordinances, Charter and Reform wrestled with the entanglements of ordinances offered by Councilman Hirschberg, making it unlawful to keep in cold storage for a longer period than six months meats or other food products, and prohibiting the sale on this market of undressed fowls. After hearing a full discussion from both sides, the committee adjourned without taking any definite action on either subject.

The audience, consisting almost entirely of those interested directly in the passage or defeat of the ordinances, was large and vastly more interested than members of the committee, who became weary as the hours wore on. Subcommittee members will be appointed by Chairman Umlauf to make further investigations and report to a future meeting of the committee.

The cold storage proposition was the first taken up by the committee. It was submitted by Councilman Louis Wendeburg, and gave the committee a heart to heart talk about eggs, incubators and chicken raising in general.

He brought out the point that the elimination of cold storage in this city would protect the people of Richmond from its evil effects, if any; that Baltimore and other cities not under the same restrictions, and older ship than are now being sold from the local houses.

He thought the measure would hurt the local industries and give the city's trade over to foreign people. Samuel Elch, E. A. Stumpf and C. E. Snyder said they would not accomplish the result desired, and severely criticized the city's commerce.

T. S. Herbert, secretary of the Merchants' Association, said that instead of decreasing the cost of living, the ordinance would make prices higher. He thought that national legislation was the only way to solve the problem, and stated that people engaged in the business were doing all in their power to aid the framing of such arguments.

Hirschberg started by explaining that his motives in offering the ordinance were pure; that the high cost of living, believing that the cold storage plants were designed to corner the market, and thereby strap the poor man, he submitted many newspaper clippings and other data bearing on the question for the consideration of the committee.

Dr. Levy spoke briefly, his main suggestion being that the ordinance be inspected before being placed in cold storage. On motion of Councilman Cutchins the ordinance was tabled.

Question of Fowls. Then the fowl question, which took up most of the time, came up, with Judge Geo. L. Christian as the first speaker. He suggested as a solution of the matter that fowls be dressed under his trees to hold them up. Mr. Brown was born in Franklin county, and will be eighty-one years of age on his next birthday. He served four years and thirteen days in the war, as he expresses it, and the only reason that he did not serve longer was that there wasn't any longer to serve. He served in General Wise's command. His son and two daughters live in Richmond.

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NO OPPOSITION TO CONSOLIDATION

Judge Christian Orders Election in Manchester on April Fourth.

NO ONE APPEARS TO CONTEST

Willing to Leave Question to Decision of Qualified Voters.

After hearing argument yesterday morning and examining a number of witnesses as to the constitutionality of the ordinance for the consolidation of Richmond and Manchester, Judge Frank P. Christian, of the Corporation Court of Lynchburg, sitting for Judge Wells, entered an order directing an election by the qualified voters of the city of Manchester, to pass on the question of union, on Monday, April 4. If the election is favorable, as seems assured from the overwhelming sentiment of several mass-meetings, and the enrollment of the Consolidation Club of Manchester, ten days must elapse for contest, after which the union becomes effective on the eleventh day, or April 15, at noon.

As April 15 has been set by Congress as the official census day, the day on which the union must be actually in effect in order that the united population may be counted as one, and go forth in the government records and publications, it will be seen that there is not a single day to spare, but by careful preparation for the primary, held by leaving no loophole for a contest, the union may be effective in due time.

No Opposition Shown. The court proceedings were brief and harmonious, no one appearing to contest the validity of the ordinance passed, and the coupling of the two cities, or to be made a party to the suit, though as a matter of abundant precaution evidence was presented to the effect that the ordinance had been legally passed.

Among those present in court were Mayor D. C. Richardson, of Richmond; Major Hunter, Capt. John W. Moore, L. R. Brown, T. J. Nichols, Augustine Revall, W. T. Dabney, D. L. Toney, Postmaster T. H. Smith, W. B. Smith, J. C. Beattie, Judge Gregory, Rev. W. B. Criddle, George Blankinship and many others. In the proceedings were H. R. Pollard, George Wayne Anderson, R. B. Davis and H. W. Boyer.

Dr. August, City Clerk of Richmond; D. L. LaPrade, City Engineer of Manchester; Alfred H. McDowell, city clerk, and City Attorney Godwyn, of Manchester, were among the witnesses called to testify as to the steps taken in the consolidation and passage of the ordinance.

17-INCH LEMON

Virginia Fruit Grower Has to Prop Up Tree to Hold Lemon.

J. R. Brown, of Good View, Bedford county, came to Richmond yesterday carrying in his hand a lemon nearly as big as a small watermelon. It was 17 inches high and seventeen inches in circumference, and weighed two pounds. This lemon was raised in Mr. Brown's home in Bedford county, and had grown from a small slip, which he got from Ohio. Mr. Brown thinks that one of his lemons will make enough lemonade for the people in Richmond.

Mr. Brown said that the only difficulty that he has in raising these lemons is that they are so big and heavy, and that he has to prop them up under his trees to hold them up. Mr. Brown was born in Franklin county, and will be eighty-one years of age on his next birthday. He served four years and thirteen days in the war, as he expresses it, and the only reason that he did not serve longer was that there wasn't any longer to serve. He served in General Wise's command. His son and two daughters live in Richmond.

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Mrs. Dechert and Mrs. W. L. Dechert, of Harrisonburg, besides O. H. Frazier, of Winchester, N. C., Father-in-law of Mr. Dechert, are here, stopping with Burton D. Dechert at the Hanover.

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DATE FOR PRIMARY FIXED ON APRIL 21

Democratic City Committee Postpones Details—Goode Is Treasurer.

CHARGE DRIVER WITH MANY THEFTS

COUNCILMEN TO BE ELECTED

Bare Month in Which to Conduct Hot Campaign in Every Ward.

Thursday, April 21, was fixed last night by the City Democratic Committee as the date for the primary for the nomination of party candidates for the Board of Aldermen and the Common Council. Details of the primary were left to committees for report at the next meeting, which will be held next Friday night.

Outside of the selection of the date very little business of general importance was transacted at last night's meeting. In executive session the report of the Committee on Rules was considered and adopted. For the most part the rules of the old committee are retained, the only material change being in adding an advisory committee of seven citizens, to be selected by the city chairman, and to consult with him for the good of the party.

About twenty-five of the thirty-five members were present when Chairman Miles M. Martin called the meeting to order. The auditing committee reported that it had examined the books of Treasurer Barney Bowman and had found his accounts correct. Mr. Bowman's resignation from the committee as a representative of Madison Ward was then read and accepted, as was that of George M. Coon from Monroe Ward. The reason for these resignations was identical—desire to serve the city in the Common Council.

On motion of Mr. Bernier, R. N. Goode, of Marshall Ward, was elected treasurer. Secretary W. G. Duke cast the unanimous vote of the committee for Mr. Goode.

The matter of filling the two vacancies was postponed to the next meeting, in the absence of full representation from Madison and Monroe Wards. The date for the City Democratic primary was then fixed, without opposition, for April 21. The plans committee was instructed to bring in a primary scheme next Friday night, and the finance committee was instructed to report at the same time the amount of assessments on candidates. The final date for filing notice of candidacy was set for the report of the committee on plans.

W. B. Jennings was elected superintendent for Clay Ward, while Horace B. Burnett, as his assistant. These officers for all other wards were chosen at a previous meeting.

In the connection, Chairman Martin wrote the following letter yesterday to the retiring treasurer, Barney Bowman:

"I am in receipt of yours of March 16, inclosing your resignation as treasurer of the City Democratic Committee, which I shall lay before the committee with very great regret. I feel that the committee suffers a great loss by your resignation. I hope that the committee will be able to secure a faithful and efficient representative in the Council, and that the very close relations that have existed between us heretofore will suffer no interruption by your transfer to another sphere of usefulness."

TELEGRAPH MEN HERE

Western Union General Officers Inspecting Southern District.

Touring on a trip of inspection and improvement, a committee of the Western Union Telegraph Company, composed of Edward J. Hall, chairman of the executive committee of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and Messrs. Frank A. McKenry, assistant, with S. M. Williams, formerly of the New York World and now general manager of the Richmond Telegraph, will arrive in Richmond this morning.

The purpose of the committee is to make arrangements for the improvement of the telegraph and telephone service. All cities in the South will be visited.

The following superintendents of telegraph lines in the Southern States are on the tour: C. W. Wainwright, of Roanoke; M. F. Williams, of Wilmington, N. C.; and J. S. Stevens, of the City.

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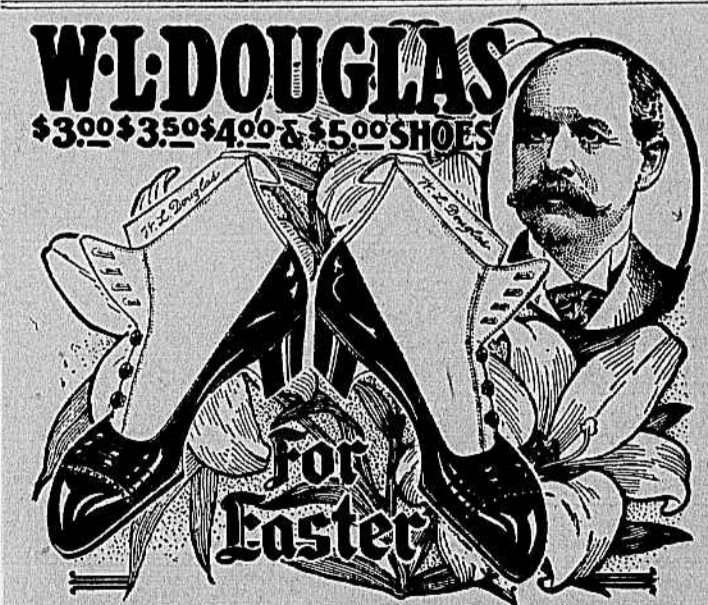
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